CHAPTER NO. 620

SENATE BILL NO. 2174

By Cooper

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2631

By Walley

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 11, Part 2, relative to the licensure of health care facilities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-209, is amended by adding a new, appropriately designated subsection as follows:

(____) Notwithstanding any rule adopted by the board for licensing health care facilities or any other provisions of this chapter, a hospital that satisfies the standards established by the joint commission on accreditation of health care organizations relative to the timely completion of medical records shall be deemed to comply with the rules of the board relative to the timely completion of medical records.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: March 27, 2000

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER

APPROVED this 5th day of April 2000

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